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For: TARGET ANALYTE SENSORS
UTILIZING MICROSPHERES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above identified application, please amend the application as follows. A marked up version showing changes made is submitted herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

The specification is amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, line 1, immediately following the title, add the following paragraph: